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SUBJ: MOFA INQUIRES ABOUT LIST OF 14 NATIONS WITH WHICH U.S.
DESIRES TO NORMALIZE RELATIONS

1. MOFA AMERICAN AFFAIRS DIVISION CHIEF YI SUNG-GON CALLED EMBOFF FEBRUARY 18 TO GET LIST OF NATIONS WITH WHICH USG DID NOT HAVE DIPLOMATIC RELATIONS. HE SAID HIS INQUIRY WAS PROMPTED BY STORIES IN PRESS TO THE EFFECT THAT PRESIDENT CARTER HAD SAID IN REMARKS AT DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE THAT U.S. WAS CONSIDERING WAYS OF NORMALIZING RELATIONS WITH 14 ESTRANGED NATIONS. YI SAID THAT HE HAD RECEIVED SEVERAL INQUIRIES FROM ROK REPORTERS ASKING WHETHER LIST INCLUDED NORTH KOREA AND WHETHER THIS SIGNIFIED CHANGE IN U.S. VIEW OF RELATIONS WITH NORTH KOREA.

2. EMBOFF REPLIED THAT EMBASSY DID NOT HAVE LIST OF NATIONS TO WHICH PRESIDENT CARTER MIGHT HAVE BEEN REFERRING AND DID NOT HAVE TRANSCRIPT OF PRESIDENT'S REMARKS, BUT THAT PRESS ACCOUNTS INDICATED THAT FOCUS OF PRESIDENT'S REMARKS WAS ANGOLA, CUBA AND VIETNAM, RATHER THAN NORTH KOREA.

3. YI ALSO REFERRED TO NEWS STORIES TO EFFECT THAT USG
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CONSIDERING RELAXATION OF REGULATIONS GOVERNING ADMISSION OF COMMUNIST NATION VISITORS. HE ASKED FOR ANY BACKGROUND EMBASSY MIGHT BE ABLE TO OBTAIN.

4. ACTION REQUESTED: WOULD APPRECIATE LIST OF 14 NATIONS REFERRED TO IN PARA ONE ABOVE, IF AVAILABLE, FOR PASSAGE TO FOREIGN MINISTRY. WOULD ALSO APPRECIATE GUIDANCE FOR USE WITH FOREIGN

MINISTRY AND PRESS ON THIS SUBJECT. IN ADDITION,
WOULD APPRECIATE ANY BACKGROUND AVAILABLE ON ALLEGATIONS
THAT USG CONSIDERING CHANGES IN REGULATIONS GOVERNING ADMISSION
OF PERSONS FROM COMMUNIST NATIONS TO U.S.
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